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STORE OPEN NIGHTS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

THE WEATHER—Weeasday fair.

Bric-a-Brac, Fine China, Cut Glass and Silverware for Christmas.

No where south of New York and Philadelphia will you find as handsome a collection of Bric-a-Brac, Fine China, Cut Glass &c. as is contained in our store.

For beauty of design, and quality, these articles have no equal in the south.

In Bric-a-Brac the best productions of the foreign potteries have been imported by us direct. The designs are in all cases new and many of them very unique.

Japanese Vases, \$1.09 to \$10.00.
Royal Vienna Vases, \$2.00 to \$12.00.

Royal Bonn, \$1.39 to \$15.00.
Among the smaller and very inexpensive pieces are the newest designs in Cameo Work, 10c to 60c.

Gilt Clocks from \$1.99 up to \$18.50, the latter price being for a "Regulator."
Gilt Candelabra, \$3.00 to \$16.00.
Brass Candelabra with 7 lights, a decided bargain at \$8.00.

Gilt Mirrors, 75c to \$6.00.
Gilt Jewel Boxes, \$1.50 to \$7.00.

In selecting a Christmas remembrance why not choose a Lamp.

Beautiful specimens of Metal

lamps with bent glass shades, \$15.00 to \$25.00.
Glass Lamps from \$10.00 down to \$1.25.

A Cut Glass piece will be as valuable years from now as it is to-day.

Olive Dishes, Celery Dishes, Salad Bowls, Pitchers, Carafes, Comports, Ice Cream Sets, Punch Bowls, &c., \$1.50 to \$50.00.

At \$6.00 we have some especially valuable pieces consisting of 8-inch, Bowl, Trays, Water Bowls, &c., Cut-Glass Tumblers, \$5.00 to \$15.00 per dozen.

Quadruple Plate Table Silverware has no superior for usefulness and beauty.

\$1.00 to \$23.00 takes in the range of our prices, which you find to be less, article for article, than in any other Richmond store.

A special table at \$2.99 contains Salad Bowls, Comports, Chocolate Pots, Walters, Candelabra, &c.

Fine China in Dinner Sets and separate pieces.

All imported pieces.

Hot Cake Plates—all richly decorated \$1.99 to \$3.50.

Bread and Butter Plates, \$1.25 to \$6.50 dozen, which includes the Haviland makes.

Dinner Sets of Austrian China, richly decorated, 102 pieces, \$15.89, worth \$20.00.

Other dinner sets of Austrian and Haviland China, up to \$50.00.

Miller & Rhoads

May Manton Patterns, 10c. each, on sale in our Trimming Department.

PLANS TO MAKE THE POOR HAPPY

The Mission Workers Will Do Everything to Give Them Joy.

DINNERS AND SERVICES

At the missions, the very air is thick with Christmas, old and young are busy planning to make the season full of good cheer and happiness for the poor and friendless—a bright bit of light out of the dull gray fog of poverty-stricken everyday life.

There are to be Christmas trees and Christmas distributions. There are prominent Christmas dinners and Christmas breakfast and Christmas music—every promise that brings joy to the lonely worn faces has that magical prefix Christmas.

At the Nineteenth Street mission, festivities begin on Friday night with an enormous Christmas tree, on which 350 presents will be hung, for the children of the Sunday and night schools of the mission. Rev. Mr. P. R. Nugent, superintendent of the Sunday school, and Messrs Lewis Jenkins and Charles Straus, of the night school, will be in charge.

Among the teachers are to be found those of all denominations, working with one common idea—the wholesome upbringing of unfortunates for children.

On Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, the fifth annual dinner for homeless men and women will be held. Mr. W. P. Lengworth will have this matter in charge.

Wednesday, the Big Day.
On Wednesday the great affair will take place—the free dinner for the poor of the entire city. At 1 o'clock the doors open, to close when the hungry have been fed. Contributors will come in all day on Tuesday, the 21st, and will be received by a committee of ladies. For years citizens of all denominations have patronized this charity. Mr. Wiley said last night:

"This free dinner is un denominational in its broadest sense, as much so as the work of the city almshouse. We feed the poor from every part of the city, and never ask the question, To what church do you belong?"

Captain and Mrs. Fleming, of the Salvation Army, are doing fine work at the Nineteenth Street mission, holding services every night in the chapel and laboring valiantly in the preparation for Christmas.

After the holidays they will rent a hall

near the New Market on Sixth Street and establish Salvation Army headquarters at the Central Neighborhood House. Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan are very alert looking after their family of poor, numbering nearly one hundred.

On Saturday night they will distribute from the Neighborhood House thirty-five baskets, each containing a Christmas dinner for five persons.

On Sunday, in the chapel, a special musical service will be held for the poor of the city.

Dinner at the Jail.

On Tuesday, Mr. Buchanan will give a Christmas dinner to all prisoners in the city jail, and on Wednesday, at 2 o'clock, Christmas dinners will be eaten at the Neighborhood House.

The ladies of St. Anne's Benevolent Association are receiving donations to-day in the basement of St. Peter's Cathedral. Although the ladies call it a pound party, this is not the case, for even on yesterday provisions of all kinds were sent unsolicited to the committee of St. Anne's.

The society is an old one, and is doing an excellent work in visiting the poor and caring for those in distress. Mrs. Andrew Pizzini is the honorary president; Mrs. W. D. Horton, the active president, and Mrs. Irvin Moore, the secretary of the association.

Several days ago Johnston, together with several other negroes, who had been drinking, became disorderly on the street, and the constable warned them that if they did not behave he would arrest them.

According to the story, Johnston used most abusive language, directing his remarks to the Henrico sleuth, who made the party move on.

A short while after Johnston was seen at the corner of Twenty-fifth and B Streets creating more disturbance, whereupon Mr. Temple undertook to arrest him, when he broke from his grasp and the other negroes commenced to crowd him. Simultaneously Johnston started to run. He did not halt, and the officer, it is said, fired on him, the bullet going through one leg into the other.

An operation was performed upon the negro yesterday, but the bullet was not located. The officer took the man to jail, but when it was found out that he was wounded, a doctor was called in, and he was removed to the hospital.

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HER LEFT LAMP WAS BURNING BUT DIMLY

Justice Crutchfield Heard Variegated Tales of Woe—Cases Continued.

Ellis Taylor, with a lamp as Jim as that of the bard of Chestnut Hill, handed up a good \$2.50 legend to His Honor on yesterday. James Martin, who basks in the sunshine of Ellis's friendship, playfully demonstrated the latest knock-out swing. When Jim was brought before the awful presence, Ellis weakened and told a hot one. Martin was pictured as a black Sir Galahad, working deeds of valor throughout the confines of Mesh Alley.

It didn't go, and Ellis contributed \$2.50 to the funds.

James Williams was a sight. Both lights were almost out, and as dim as the Richmond electric lights. Mr. Williams' "pants" resembled very full "blooms" and the rest of his apparel smacked loudly of the rag bag. He told a pathetic tale of being a country lad from Baltimore, unused to the sights of a large city. His Honor was wise; but Christmas saved "the country lad." James hit the trail.

E. O. Petross, the bold young proprietor of the Gymnasium Club, was up for selling drinks upon a Sunday. E. O. a mainstay in the hour of need had gone to Washington, to see the play, and President, and so the case was continued until another season.

Powhatan Vaughan was charged with stealing pig meat from Messrs. W. S. Forbes and Company. The witnesses were tardy, and the case went over.

Otis H. Holdfield is a patriot of sport. On last Thanksgiving Day he fled him to the foot-ball game. Mr. J. E. Hall, of Albemarle county, charged him. He needed a timepiece, held in great esteem amongst the family of Hall. Bachrach, the poor man's friend, later received the relic from "a lady," who acted as a fence.

One Riddle, with a husky voice, purchased the pawn ticket, but in his own language "When I go to Bachrach for de goods, I'd-a near gits pinched." A man misnamed. True, and Gypsy Jack also took a hand.

His Honor sent the whole crew on to the grand jury.

R. L. Dancy and a sporting friend named Bill were charged with hounding up R. L. Powell and relieving him of eighty plunks and a watch.

Powell is a quiet looking individual that looked an easy mark. The case was continued until the pride of the basement bar shall have returned from his junket.

EXTRA CARRIERS ON.

Christmas Mail Packages Will be Delivered Promptly Here.

Postmaster Wray T. Knight Monday put on five additional carriers and one extra clerk in the office to facilitate the prompt handling of the heavy increase of incoming and outgoing mail during the holidays. Those put on are the regular substitutes. The enlarged volume of mail and especially of packages has begun and is expected to steadily increase until next Sunday. Then it will continue for two or three days and after that gradually decline to the normal again. Mr. Knight states yesterday that the Christmas mail rush was three days later beginning this year than last year, but that it was now moving steadily. He will put on sufficient force to insure prompt delivery and dispatch of all mails.

Officers of the Sons Elected.

Officers elected Monday night by the Lee Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans, are as follows:

Commander—W. Ross Southward.

First lieutenant—commander—Elmo S. Redwood.

Second lieutenant—commander—Hon. E. B. Thomson.

Third lieutenant—commander—R. M. Gilmer.

Secretary—Edwin H. Courtney.

Treasurer—John R. Lightfoot, Jr.

President—John R. Lightfoot, Jr.

Chaplain—J. P. Rennie.

Quartermaster—Cleveland V. Blackburn.

Commissary sergeant—Frank I. Starke.

Color sergeant—J. H. Patterson.

Member Soldiers' Home board—E. Leslie.

Executive Committee—John A. Lamb, Edwin P. Cox and W. B. Walden.

The camp will meet again January 24.

FARMERS' DESIRE HOLIDAY MONEY

Snowy Roads and Slump in Tobacco Prices Do Not Deter Them.

PRICES ARE NOTICEABLY OFF

Nearly Two Hundred Thousand Pounds Sold Yesterday.

To-day's Sales.

With the roads in bad condition for hauling and considerable hardship in getting to market, and with prices ruling from twenty to twenty-five per cent. lower than two weeks ago, the rush of leaf tobacco to market this week can only be attributed to a desire to realize on part of the crop in time to make Christmas purchases. Well known men in the tobacco trade, with no motive for proclaiming the fact, but rather to conceal it, state that tobacco which a fortnight ago averaged eight cents per pound, are now bringing but six cents. The heavy sales of the past five weeks have given the dealers and manufacturers about all the stock they can handle just now, hence the decline in demand, and the consequent fall in prices.

Yesterday's sales consisted largely of railway shipments, which had accumulated, but yesterday the bulk of the tobacco offered had been wagoned over the snowy and soft roads. Nevertheless about 180,000 pounds were sold on yesterday on the warehouse floor. The outlook is quite as good or better for to-day's sales. There will be no sales on Friday, the warehouse closing Thursday evening after that day's sale, until January 3d. Many wagons were in yesterday evening, and indications are that to-day's sale will be almost as large as yesterday's. It is not expected that receipts will be large for a week of ten days after the holiday resumption.

Shelburne's warehouse had first sale yesterday, and led the breaks in quantity sold, their sale aggregating about 65,000 pounds. Shockoe, with third sale, sold 50,000, and Crenshaw's about 42,000, while Stonewall sold 25,000.

The sales to-day begin at Stonewall, then go to Shockoe, thence to Crenshaw's, and thence to Shelburne's. On Thursday, Shockoe will have first, Crenshaw's second, Shelburne's third, and Stonewall fourth.

LAW OFTEN VIOLATED.

Samples of Medicine Frequently Thrown Into Yards or Homes.

Mayor Carlton McCarthy is an earnest advocate of the passage of an ordinance that will make punishable by fine the throwing of improper and obscene literature advertising patent medicine and remedies in the yards and porches of residences, where they are often picked up and read by children. There is already a statute which forbids, under heavy penalty, the throwing of samples of medicines and remedies in the yards, porches or doorways of residences. This measure, which was known as the Angell bill, for its patron, was immediately suggested by the fact that the child of one of the legislators had recently been poisoned and made seriously ill by innocuous looking medicine. The Mayor's advocacy of such an ordinance to supplement the Angell bill is generally endorsed.

"FOXY" ROGERS HERE.

Has Too Big a Heart to be a Hangman—May Resign.

Mr. Cliff W. Rogers, better known as "Foxy" Rogers, city sergeant of the city of Charlottesville, whose name figured prominently in the McCue case, was registered in the city of Charlottesville. He should the Supreme Court not interfere it will be the disgraceful duty of Mr. Rogers to execute McCue. The matter is giving him considerable worry.

He is a good fellow and has a large circle of friends in this city. He has many intimates, and it is generally believed that there was little doubt in his mind that he would resign his office rather than act as McCue's executioner.

Hoping He Will Accept.

The Rev. J. T. Uddick, pastor of Spurgeon Memorial Baptist Church, Norfolk, who has been called by the congregation of the Palmyra Baptist Church to succeed the Rev. C. C. Cox, is greatly beloved by his congregation, and has many warm friends in Norfolk, who will doubtless exert every effort to keep him with them, but it is rumored that he is favorably impressed with the call from Palmyra.

Mr. Riddle is a good preacher, and it is earnestly hoped by the Palmyra congregation that he will come with them.

"On Thanksgiving Day."

The New England home scenes depicted in the play, "On Thanksgiving Day," now running at the Bijou, seem to have caught the fancy of the theatergoers. Both performances yesterday drew much larger audiences than the opening night.

The play is a melodrama, and the action is rapid.

Thursday night is to witness the closing of the play. The play being transferred to the Academy.

Much Interest Manifested.

Much interest is centered in the (today) play which will be held in the Catholic Sunday-school building in Fulton (to-night). It will be held under the direction of the teachers, and the singing and recitation of the teachers and the singing.

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